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MINIATURE*

e wonder if we shall know each other "over there." This is oet's answer, written in memory of the wife who had died ear before.

all your gestures, for your gray-blue eyes
Irish mouth, and hair that makes you child
n shaken out at evening; for your mirth
your quick pity, and your mother's breast;
the great tenderness that you have given
the rich dreams through purple flowing night,
deep lull of effort and the peace
deep love; because of all these things,
erever I should be,—beyond what seas
n enchanted music, on what isles
now not, of a strange irradiance,
ream, or life or death,—dissatisfied
h splendor or white mystery, my heart
ld break—my heart would break—never to hear
r tones again or feel your hair again
eath my lips, or see your lifted eyes
ming with all the secrets of the stars.

Perpetual Light" by William Rose Benet, Yale University .)

FUTURE OF THE PILGRIM LEGION

vo or three things are pretty certain. One is that young people of our Congregational churches, if can be brought together in some co-operative ion and can be inspired with a union-conscious-, will be wonderfully efficient in enlisting other ng people not now associated with any Christian nization and will be an immeasurable power for progress of the Kingdom of Christ.

second thing is that in the young people them-es there is already an adequate leadership. There many college students among them that can put any good endeavor they lay their hands to. They gifted, consecrated, sensible young men and en.

he third vital thing is that upon the shoulders of e young people should be laid not only the burden the programming and the whole responsibility of Pilgrim Legion. At the last meeting of the Legion outh Berkeley the management of affairs was too h in the hands of the ministers and too little com-ed to the youths of our churches.

e would suggest earnestly that leaders from the eties now associated in the Legion be called to-er at an early date and that they be notified the Legion is theirs—theirs to plan for, to pray to organize, to program and develop. If this be e, these consecrated workers will not fail to ac-the obligation, and we venture to prophesy they do better work with more satisfactory results have yet appeared.

We have d[illegible]ored the fact that our lay-people are not more to the front. The responsibility for that condition belon[illegible] in part to the ministers. If room is made for the [illegible]v, and by that we mean a vacuum which they alone must fill if it is filled at all, we shall find the men and women and young people of our churches occupy the gaps. The Pilgrim Legion is a good place to try this out.

THE LAW IN ACTION

No law enforces itself. The law writ large on the statute book is a dead letter until some agency puts in into operation. There are two laws the Christian folk are anxious to see enforced—the Redlight Abatement law and the Federal enactment for prohibition.

To assist the proper authorities a State Law Enforcement League has been organized, and is doing good work. Former State Senator Edwin E. Grant is the president and most active worker in it. He reports a recent raid upon moonshining stills near Roseville.

"We had the pleasure of dumping the booze out of the still, which was even then almost red-hot. We then rushed by automobile to Sutter county, crossed the Feather river in a row boat, arrested the proprietor of the still and confiscated a quantity of wine at his Sutter county camp.

"The party raided the saloons in Roseville, and altogether confiscated 250 gallons of illicit liquor, part of this liquor we found concealed in a hay-mow."

The State Law Enforcement League also won two more victories against redlight houses in Sacramento, securing injunctions in the Superior Court. Of the twelve liquor arrests reported in recent raids in Sacramento all have resulted in convictions in the Federal courts.

The League and Federal officials are co-operating. The League is worthy of generous financial support.

CONGREGATIONAL REST-HOME

Through the generosity of Mrs. Davis, the owner of Pansy Circle at Mount Hermon, the property has been deeded to the Woman's Home Missionary Union of Northern California. A roomy cottage, and platforms for tents make an ideal spot for rest and work. The location is conveniently near to the auditorium, and is not far from the cafeteria.

This is to be a rest-home for all Congregationalists. Applications should be made as early as possible to Mrs. Lucy Bailey at Mount Hermon, for terms and dates. Mrs. Bailey is in full charge and will gladly do all in her power for the comfort and happiness of guests.

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A BREAK IN THE RANKS

The Presbyterian Church at its last General Assembly voted to withdraw from the Interchurch movement; and then it turned about and decided to maintain an advisory relationship with a financial responsibility of not more than $100,000, provided that the Movement is properly reorganized and a different set of men put at its head.

The withdrawal was for the sake of protecting the denomination from any responsibility for excessive expenditures of money, rather than because of any dissatisfaction with the principle of co-operation among the denominations. The Assembly decided that the Presbyterians must pay their share of the $8,000,000 campaign expenses of the Movement already incurred.

Some of the members of this church are protesting the tremendous expense of the General Assembly. "The high cost of Assemblies needs looking into," say they. "Four dollars per day for about one thousand commissioners, besides railway expenses, committees, etc., calls for a large amount of money."

Let us reorganize and improve the Interchurch, but do not let it go under if it is in our power to sustain it.

CARING FOR THE STUDENTS

Irwin O. Addicott, student secretary for the First Congregational Church of Berkeley, says:

"Our church is planning to assist new students during Registration Week, especially on August 13th and 14th. An information bureau in charge of students will be open at the church to furnish all sorts of help. Autos also will be on hand to help new students in getting located. Plans are making to entertain at Sunday dinner all new Congregational students in the homes of our church people some time during the first semester."

The church in its regular work has in mind the need of the students, and affords many and varied activities to engage the service of the young men and women.

Pastors and parents are asked to send in as early as possible the names of young people who are expecting to enter the University this fall.

THE GREAT COMMISSION—HOW TO OBEY IT

Without a vision of the world responsibility, without a knowledge of the problems both urban and rural, without the inspiration that comes from such information, the Great Commission will not be obeyed.

The Missionary Training Conference at Asilomar (July 13th-23rd), conducted by the Interchurch World Movement furnishes these indispensable requirements. Dr. Miles B. Fisher is to be chairman of the Conference. There is to be study of "The Near East," "The Church and the Community," and "The Bible and Missions," and many other features.

Able men and women of all denominations will guide the learner. A most profitable ten days for the throngs that will attend.

"The maximum for the Master,
The minimum for me,
With ministry to all in need,
Henceforth my rule shall be,
For Him Who died that I might live
My time, my means, myself I give."

COVERED DISH LUNCHEON

Here is something new which can be used either for church socials or for the mid-week meeting. The plan is for each two people that come, say husband and wife, to bring a covered dish of something good to eat, hot and delicious—escalloped potatoes, macaroni, beans, meats, fish, pies, puddings—whatever they want to. The food is placed on a table at one end of the room, and each guest helps himself cafeteria style from any dish he desires.

The guests then seat themselves at the tables which are already set, with paper tablecloths and napkins, to save laundry work, and cups and saucers. Coffee is furnished at ten cents the cup.

One church following this scheme for its mid-week meeting has multiplied its attendance by about three. Their schedule is to have the supper together at the regular evening meal-time; forty-five minutes is allowed for eating and sociability, then the dishes are removed and the people sit around in social groups, have songs, devotions, meditation and testimony. Everything is finished at nine o'clock and all on their way home.

The Mohammedan is an isolated man; he regards himself as superior to all other human beings; he looks down upon every people; he is, therefore, unfit for service to any man, and especially for the governing of other people.

In Burma the Buddhists have organized and are operating an association on the lines of the Y. M. C. A. The orthodox older Buddhists look askance at this new movement as a sign of the contaminating influence of the western civilization. In North Japan the Buddhists have begun activity against Christianity by organizing a Buddhist Salvation Army using all the paraphenalia and methods of the Ar-

ORGANIC COUNCIL

The Interchurch World Movement besides raising a nsiderable amount of money for Christian purposes id also creating a widespread sympathy among irty or more denominations has produced an actual otestant co-operation in the conquest of the world. One of the more recent and best products of the ovement is the Interchurch Council on Organic nion. This is to be a permanent organization hose chief business is to be a clearing house for all e denominations included in it. It will advise conrning all inter-denominational work. It crystallizes e spirit of the Interchurch World Movement.

Concerning this new organization the religious ess is expressing divergent views. The Free ethodist thinks it ought to be more orthodox, inuding all the articles of the creed even down to inutiæ; the Church Advocate thinks that there is nger of "serfdom of thought," and would rather ave a "divided Protestantism than a united atholicism."

The Congregationalist thinks that the Unitarians id Universalists ought to have been welcomed into ie Interchurch Movement, and that does not sigify that the Congregationalist has any undue leaning owards those "isms," but rather that the door of ntrance ought to be wide enough to allow any folower of Jesus the privilege of co-operation, without ar demanding his acceptance of our interpretations. Unless there is liberality of spirit among our rotestant churches, co-operation will be weak, if ot a failure.

FINE OBJECT LESSON

A few weeks ago a "Near East banquet" was held n New York and seventeen hundred persons were n attendance. The tables were bare save for the hite cloth, and, when the banquet was served, all nat each one received was a piece of coarse bread, nade of oatmeal and barley flour, and a small bowl f very weak barley soup.

This, they were told, was all that the people of ne "Near East" had been living on, once a day. he object lesson made a deep impression. The anquet will be long remembered. The speeches ound the people ready to hear and heed the appeals nat were made.

A FORMER LEADER

Many of the older Congregationalists will remember the genial pastor of the Plymouth Church of San rancisco,—the Rev. W. D. Williams. He passed ver into the other life on May 10th. Thirty or nore years ago he was pastor at Tulare, where he id a fine work and endeared himself to a wide field f friends.

His service to the Plymouth Church will be remembered with gratitude by the people of that day. He was preeminently a pastor, though his sermons lways were helpful and religious.

After leaving Plymouth Church he became an piscopalian and was for ten years the rector of rinity Church, Iowa City, Iowa. He was born in Wales, and trained in Oberlin. His son, Rev. William P. Williams has been a leader in the younger ministry of the Episcopal church, and now is chaplain at the Naval Training Station on the Great Lakes.

The Stockton church, progressive in all good things, has appointed a special agent of the Pacific whose privilege it will be to see that the community is well represented on our mailing list. We are generous enough to wish that agent much success.

THE MONDAY CLUB

June 8th. The meeting was planned to welcome the Australian visitors and to afford the club an opportunity to hear them. This was the first visit of some of them to America. They all of them proved to be forceful speakers, the presence in their speech of an unmistakable English brogue not diminishing their effectiveness but rather increasing it. They all had the typical English poise and self-possession with a strain of humor that made them quite winsome. "The church ought to have great power in the world for shaping the policy of governments and for bringing to pass Christian ideals; but the church does not have it. Our problem is to make the church to register." "The world must have a strong Anglo-Saxon unity. Any force that endeavors to break this tie is an enemy of the race and of civilization." These men were fearless in criticism and generous in commendations.

FROM ACROSS THE OCEAN

The steamer Ventura from Australia brought in a notable group of Congregationalists on their way to the International Council at Boston. They were Thomas Horton and wife, lay-folk from Melbourne; Rev. Ernest Davies, president of the Australian Council; Rev. Stanley Morrison, pastor of a large church of Brisbane and editor of the Congregational newspaper there; Rev. A. R. Stephenson of Melbourne; Rev. W. J. Ashford of Tasmania, and Rev. C. B. Cockett of the Surrey Hills church, Melbourne, and leader in the prohibition work in Australia. The Monday Club tendered them a luncheon at the Stewart Hotel with about forty in attendance. The Australian visitors expressed themselves as delighted with the kindliness of our California hospitality.

WHAT THEY ARE PREACHING ABOUT

"The Test of Religion"—Raymond C. Brooks.

"The Mission of Christ to the Inner Life"—Ralph B. Larkin.

"The Drowsy' Pew"—Charles L. Kloss.

"The Life Plan of the Christ Way"—Harvey V. Miller.

"The Expanding Life of a Christian"—Harley H. Gill.

"A Talk on the New Age"—E. A. King.

"Every Man His Own Medium"—James L. Gordon.

"Some ministers uses big words," said Uncle Eben, "same as a turkey spreads his tail feathers. Dey makes an elegant impression, but they don' represent no real meat."

THE INSTITUTION

Portland, Oregon, Pilgrim

For two years the Rev. Robert Murray Pratt has very efficiently served the church, but feels called upon to leave the pastorate to take up work in the Portland Training School for church workers. He is to be instructor in psychology and dean of the faculty. The school which has reached eleven denominations through forty churches has been made permanent; it is to have a three year course leading to graduation with a diploma. The school is under the auspices of the County Sunday School Association and the Federation of Churches. There are ten members of the faculty, among whom are Mr. Pratt and Rev. John H. Matthews, District Secretary of the Congregational Education Society. The registrations so far amount to 182, representing 39 churches from nine denominations. Among the themes to be considered are: The teaching values of the Old Testament; the New Testament church in its relation to modern life; graded missionary education in the church school.

Antioch

The annual meeting was held June 2, with encouraging reports from all departments. The church school shows an increase for the year of 80 pupils. A Christian Endeavor Society has been organized with a membership of 21, and is doing excellent work. Fourteen new members have been added to the roll, eight of whom came on confession of faith. The financial record has been fine; besides monies for current expenses, pledges have been received for $310 for Pilgrim Memorial Fund. $414 for Interchurch World Movement; and $580 to pay debt on parsonage, making a total of $1,304. This is a splendid showing for a church that reported in last year-book a resident membership of 63. There is a class of 15 young people preparing for church membership in the fall. The church had been without a pastor sometime before the coming of Rev. T. Hector Dodd, and had contemplated closing its doors. Congratulations to pastor and people for this fine record.

Pasadena Pilgrim

The pastor, Rev. J. J. Jones preached a strong sermon on Ezekiel VIII:16, "Behold, five and twenty men, with their backs toward the Temple of the Lord, worshipping the sun." "America," said he, "seems to have turned away from God to the worship of something else. A golden calf, perhaps. But, as Prof. Steiner points out, there is hope because they know it is a calf."

Stockton

The official Memorial Day Sunday service was held in this church with the pastor, Rev. Harley H. Gill, as the preacher. The veterans of the Grand Army and the Women of the Relief Corps were in full attendance. The sermon was printed in full in the Evening Record. Mr. Gill said, "Today in America we have prophets of a narrow nationalism whose policy is to mix in world affairs just enough to get its share of commerce; build up the nation, say they, and institutions, and let the world go to pot. It is the philosophy of grab." The preacher said that this spasm of selfishness is not American. It was a strong utterance and timely. On Children's Day the church received eleven new members, six on confession, three of whom were baptized. Ten children were presented for baptism. A. F. Roberts, chairman of the Board of Trustees will represent the church at the International Council.

Sunnyvale

The pastor, Rev. William E. Eckles, has recently organized a Christian Endeavor Society of 25 members. It is a live body of earnest young people and a great encouragement to the church. A Union Brotherhood has been formed among the Protestant men of the town; it has a membership of 25 with the pastor of the Congregational church as its president. At its last meeting it considered "The Home and How Best to Conserve it." It was a meeting of real merit.

Sacramento, First

The bulletin of this church reveals the fact that they have a Circle of Intercession; one copy had a list of nine different persons and interests for which the members were to unite their prayers during the week. They were to pray for a lad very ill in Portland, Ore., for an aged woman in San Francisco, also for divine guidance in their plans for a new location for the church building. A community of prayer is as essential as any other form of fellowship in a true church.

Sonoma

The annual meeting was held on May 26th with a large attendance of members and friends. Encouraging reports were presented on all departments of the work. A most favorable feature of the meeting was the raising of about $500 to square up all indebtedness that had been accumulating during the past months. Supt. Rathbone was present and gave an address that was full of courage and inspiration.

Whittier, Plymouth

The pastor, Rev. Ernest E. Day, preached on "Our Heritage from the Dead" at the Memorial Day services in his church on Sunday evening; in the morning he spoke on "The Dead Who Live."

Glen Ellen

The people of this beautiful place are happy over the resumption of religious services in the Congregational church. Rev. Isaac Cookman of the Sonoma church is holding services here on Wednesday with good attendance and growing interest. It is hoped that arrangements can soon be made for a regular Sunday evening service. The church is to be yoked with the church at Sonoma.

Tacoma, First

A reception to the pastor and his wife, Dr. and Mrs. Frank Dyer, materialized in resolutions of appreciation for the fine service rendered during the past seven years in this pastorate, also in a check for $1,000 as a gift; and also in a unanimous vote to increase the salary of the pastor by another thousand dollars. A fine testimony to a most commendable work.

Redwood City

Mr. Jose Venegas has been for some weeks conducting services among the Spanish speaking people in the

cinity, with very satisfactory attendance and inter-t. On June 13th as a result of these labors a panish Congregational church of eleven members as organized. The services were of special interest. t the beginning forty girls sang a sweet song; and hen the Woman's Relief Corps of Redwood City ve an American flag to the church the girls all luted the flag in a very graceful and hearty fash-n. Supt. Rathbone conducted the services of organi-tion, being interpreted by the pastor. The pastor's by was baptized at this service.

ngels Camp

ev. Thomas G. Lewis has been in this pastorate for e years and has so devotedly done the work that e whole community seems to be lined up as his iends. He has consented to add the San Andreas strict to his pastoral charge. Although Mrs. Lewis et with a serious accident some months ago from hich she has not yet recovered she is rendering a ie service among the women of the community spite of her handicap.

ark Villas, San Diego

ev. G. A. Charnock's salary is increased by the ft of five hundred dollars to the Conference by a iend.

os Angeles, First

he chapel and Sunday school building were almost estroyed by fire and water on May 28th. The audi-rium and organ were not injured. Services were eld as usual on the following Sunday.

os Angeles, Church of the Messiah

he church has voted to enlarge its plant by $60,000 r more effective community service.

laremont

he church last year adopted a novel method for eeping up the vacation attendance of its young eople. Before the summer scattering cards were assed out for signatures, reading, "Believing my ithful attendance at church and Sunday school will e of service to my teacher and pastor, I promise, if ossible, to attend each at least ten times during ie period, July 6 to September 28." The result was iat 55 cards were signed and 36 attended nine or iore Sundays.

ong Beach

he attendance of men and mothers at the Mother's ay session of the Taubman Men's Bible class, held the municipal auditorium, Long Beach, Calif., May h, was 2,516. The attendance for the whole school as 2,991. The oldest mother present was Mother eachman, who is in her 90th year. The youngest iother was a little over 21. The Long Beach Munici-al Band assisted, giving their services.

Voodside

he annual meeting of the church was held on June 3th. The reports showed that one member had been eceived on confession. The average attendance at ie church services during the year was 20; the at-ndance at the Sunday school being 30. The church iised for benevolences during the year $247. All ills were paid and there was a balance of $242 in the reasury. The church and Sunday school have raised l told over $1,100.

A CHURCH OUTFIT

The Federation of Bethany Church with the Trinity Center Church in the same district, is a happy union of forces for helpfulness in the community, and promises well for the future.

As it does not seem probable that they will need the following articles any more, they would be glad to help some other church who may want them: A communion set, Hastings Bible Dictionary, piano, stereopticon lantern, two pulpit chairs, basket ball outfit, rubber stamp outfit, large size for notices.

Write or phone, Mrs. R. W. de Winton, 1015 Masonic, Ave., phone Park 3813, San Francisco.

THE INDIVIDUAL

Dr. Charles E. Burton, secretary of the Congregational Extension societies spent two days in San Francisco the past month, looking over the work and consulting as to the future. A luncheon was tendered to him at the Clift Hotel by the trustees of the Northern Conference, and was attended by a score or more of pastors and laymen. Dr. Burton outlined the policies of the denomination in a very frank and inspiriug fashion, and this was followed by a helpful conference.

Rev. A. Craig Bowdish, pastor of the Paia Union church at Maui, Hawaii, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Rowland B. Dodge in Berkeley. Mr. Bowdish has been for seven years pastor of one of the most important of the Island churches. He will be on this coast for a three or four months' vacation.

Rev. Robert G. Harbutt has resigned his pastorate at Kenwood, and Todd, to take effect July 1. He began work in these two fields in 1917.

Rev. Raymond C. Brooks of Berkeley preached the Commencement sermon to the graduating class of the Tamalpais Union High School on Sunday evening, June 13th. The class was composed of 49 members, and came from San Rafael, San Anselmo, Sausalito, and Mill Valley. Mr. Brooks discussed preparation for the great responsibilities of the coming age, and made a deep impression upon the congregation.

The efficient services of Rev. K. Nukaga, pastor of the Oakland Japanese church, had a fine recognition by his people in the giving of a vacation so that he might visit the International Council in Boston, and of a purse of $350 to provide the wherewithal for the trip.

Upon invitation of W. B. Lewis, superintendent of the Yosemite National Park, Rev. B. C. Preston is to be the preacher at the Union chapel and pastor of all the Protestant folk who are visitors in the valley. Mr. Preston began services on June 20 and will continue through the summer.

Rev. Burton Palmer of Pacific Grove preached for the people at Lodi on June 13.

Rev. John Brereton finished his pastorate at Sunset, San Francisco, with the end of June and goes to Bethlehem church in the same city.

Touring the country as the Field Secretary of American Committee for Relief in the Near East, Rev. Loyal Lincoln Wirt was in Montana at the last writing. He reports good interest and large

pledges for Armenian relief. So far the High School of Yakima, Washington, seems to carry off the prize for generous service, subscribing $3,700 and "adopting" 61 Armenian orphans for a year. The Rotarians of Missoula, Montana, pledged $1,400 and the High School of the same place $2,400. Mr. Wirt expects to spend his vacation, the latter part of July and all of August at his Berkeley home.

Rev. F. A. Bissell and wife of Soquel and Rev. W. E. Eckles and wife of Sunnyvale are going to exchange parsonages during the month of July and thus get in a comfortable vacation.

Many friends have inquired as to Mr. Singer's condition. We are glad to report to them and all our members that he is slowly regaining his health. We hope it will not be long now before he will be among us as usual. The prayers of many people have gone up for his recovery.

POMONA COLLEGE COMMENCEMENT

By W. C. MERRITT

The Commencement program was most auspiciously opened on Thursday evening, June 17, by a farewell song recital (request program) given by Miss Harriet Pasmore in Bridges Hall of Music. The hall was completely filled by her friends and lovers of song. Miss Pasmore has been connected with the Department of Music for four years and has made a large place for herself, having been most generous in the use of her fine contralto voice. She goes for further study.

Saturday was Alumni Day, observed as only Pomona graduates know how. Some four hundred were back, and they came with wives or husbands, as the case might be, and with their children, and class stunts and fun made the welkin ring, while the banquet in the new gymnasium at 5:30 was the climax of the day. That evening the Senior class play, "The Destiny of the Desert," was given in the Greek Theatre before a large audience. The play plot was laid in ancient Egypt, with spectacular setting and effect, and the playwright did his work well; the dramatic coloring, the weird music and court costumes were noticeably fine.

Sunday was Baccalaureate Day. The academic procession, led by the choir singing the college hymn, "How Firm a Foundation," filed into the church promptly, filling the reserved sections. The scripture responsive reading was the college chapter I Corinthians 13. Mrs. Professor R. D. Colburn, assisted by the choir, sang Mendelssohn's "Hear My Prayer." Mrs. Colburn has a very fine voice, and the rendition was uplifting. Dr. Henry Kingman, pastor emeritus, led in prayer, and after the singing by the congregation of "Christian, Dost Thou See Them," President Blaisdell preached the Baccalaureate from Matt. 5:13, "Ye are the salt of the earth," laying the emphasis upon the "Ye." His theme was "The Saving Substance," which is, of course, individual, human character. God works for the salvation of this world through the touch of individual life upon individual life, and these young people of the graduating class were going out to world service as trained workers.

It was a strong message from a heart of love. The afternoon commencement communion service is a Pomona characteristic.

In the evening, after a half hour of music, Dr. Clarence A. Spaulding, of Santa Barbara spoke to a good audience in Music Hall upon "New Worlds for Old," and it was an interesting study of present day world problems.

The Zoellner College String Quartet gave a charming recital at 10:30 in Music Hall. At 2:30 Prof. Colcord presided over "Informal Addresses on College Topics," in the church. The President and Mrs. Blaisdell "received" in the beautiful patio of Music Hall at four o'clock. The patio is unique for such a service, and it was a delightful hour, largely attended. To all these functions the public was most cordially invited.

The graduating exercises were held in the Greek Theatre at six o'clock. It is a very beautiful place for such a service, the platform extending back under the fine live oak trees of the Blanchard Park gives an exceptional setting to the program. The academic procession came in promptly—faculty and graduating class taking their places on the ample space, while a large audience entered with zest into the exercises which were worthy of the college and the class.

Mr. William Webster Vannier took for his theme "The Search for Truth"; Mr. Bruce McClain Wallace found his theme in "The Stain upon the Wall;" and Miss Carol Harriet Willisford's was "The Challenge of a Great Task." Mr. Wallace had seen service in France, and his plea, which was vigorous, manly and direct, was for a universal military training, and the "Stain" was that of fire on the walls of the White House in Washington, left from the burning of the Capital City by the British in 1814, because of unpreparedness. Miss Willisford found her challenge in the rebuilding of a new world, in which the United States should take a leading part.

Eighty-seven diplomas as Bachelors of Art were then presented to the graduates by President Blaisdell and one of the very successful commencements of Pomona College was completed. Seven states besides California were represented in the graduating class, while two were from China, two from Mexico and one from France. President Blaisdell announced that large gifts had been received during the year. The woman's new dormitory is progressing rapidly and will be occupied in September.

Already the freshman class is filling rapidly. the trustees had not put a limit on the number men and women to be admitted—115 each—there would be at least 200 women entered at the present date. The applications from men this year seem not to be so numerous.

One minister's wife would accept even soiled money offered to her in change; she said, "No microbe could live on her husband's salary."

Our American Democracy was founded upon religion, yet to-day more than half of the population is not identified with Protestant, Catholic or Jewish churches.

OUR YOUNG PEOPLE

By LARUE C. WATSON,
Chairman, Committee on Young People's Work.

Over two hundred new Christian Endeavorers and out thirteen hundred new Church School pupils are ported by our Conference superintendent for North- n California this past year. This is encouraging, r the young people are the hope of the present and ture church. The young people's committee of the nference is steadily bringing about some excellent sults, but more time and money should be put into is important work.

The recent Pilgrim Legion rally in Berkeley was ry significant. It showed not only progress but so some of the lacks and needs. It showed the ed of greater publicity, of more personal contact ith and between the pastors and young people and e leaders among the young people. It showed that t a small part of the constituency is being reached ith the present program for the young people. The ck of acquaintance and vital contacts is greatly in idence when it is desired to plan a program, ap- int committees or elect officers.

These things have tended to strengthen the fact hich has long been apparent to some of us that we eatly need the employed full time of a young eople's field worker for the Conference. Many pas- rs and leaders of our Conference, as well as the ung people themselves, feel that the time is ripe r such a step. The Upper Bay Association in its cent convention passed a resolution asking the Con- rence to create and fill the suggested office, and it hoped that others who feel the same way will t it be known.

FEDERATE SCHOOL OF MISSIONS

Eight different denominations are affiliated in con- ucting a school of missions at Mount Hermon, down mong the Santa Cruz mountains. The school this ar will be held from July 5th to 12th. The program attractive, is full of good things, and can not fail being educative.

The two textbooks to be studied are "The Bible and issions" and "The Church and the Community." rs. A. B. Rosenberger, who was for five years a issionary near Jerusalem, will teach the foreign xtbook.

Full information concerning the school can be ob- ined from Miss Mary E. Bamford, 1235 East Fif- enth street, Oakland.

One Presbyterian church of the Bay region is hav- g money spent upon it in a lavish fashion. Where e church used to get along fairly well on an income less than $2,000 per year, the "powers-that-be" are ending $12,000. The results may justify the expen- ture, and they may not. A church can have too uch money, though that seldom happens. Better atch out, or the Commissioners of the last General ssembly will catch you!

In one city the Protestant churches paid more for eir janitors than they spent on their Sunday chools .

THE JAPANESE SITUATION

By G. W. HINMAN

Mr. Gregory Mason writes for the Outlook for June 16 a suggestive article on the Japanese situation in California as a part of a special number containing several contributions from eminent Japanese.

Some of the defenders of the Japanese on the Pacific Coast supply the best arguments to the anti-Japanese propaganda because their arguments are so evidently inspired by self-interest. Mr. Mason seems to assume that Americans will be compelled to meet the economic competition and physical adaptability of the Japanese or else be eliminated by nature's laws of survival. But the principle of protection applied to our industries may properly be applied also to our workers. We should not reproach American farmers and laborers if they will not submit to the hard working conditions which the Japanese in America accept, nor abandon them to the economic consequences of their desire for a richer life than that of the Japanse laborer. A democratic government exists to protect its people. Among other things, against the merciless competition of German or Japanese efficiency. Too many people defend the Japanese in America because dividends are increased through Japanese industry and trade. There are better grounds for advocating fair treatment.

There are two classes in America who strongly urge fair treatment of the Japanese and cordial relations between America and Japan. One is largely made up of those whose business interests and broader horizon lead them to an appreciation of other nations, possible partners with us in the world's work. The other class are those who believe all races are God's children, and universal brotherhood is a realizable ideal. The romantic interest of Japan and its people, the practical good sense of cultivating friendly relations with a powerful neighbor, did not provide adequate motive for the maintenance of the Japan Society in San Francisco established with much enthusiasm a few years ago, though the Japan Society of New York, with Frank Vanderlip as president, and including twelve hundred of the leading educators, professional and business men of the eastern states is a strong and effective organization. It was the missionary motive which worked out the possibility of friendly international relations with Oriental countries. It is the missionary motive which must still be depended upon to solve the increasingly complex problems of those relations.

The Japanese question in California has reached an acute stage through the issue of a lengthy report by the State Board of Control reviewing the increase in population of Chinese, Japanese and Hindus since 1910, and the amount of land now under their control through ownership and lease. In view of the representations of this report Governor Stephens has appealed to Secretary of State Colby for federal action to meet the situation. Without the figures of the last census, the increases in population of Orientals are determined from annual reports of arrivals and departures through the port of San Francisco and the record of births and deaths. These indicate a de-

crease of 8.2 per cent in the Chinese population on the basis of the census figures of 1910, and increase of 33⅓ per cent in the Hindu population and of 111 per cent Japanese.

There are two sources of inaccuracy in these results. Many of the Chinese and Japanese resident in California in 1910 and later immigrants have moved out of the state. The census figures of 1910 were considerably below the population at that time acknowledged by the Japanese in their own reports. The surprising increase in the number of Japanese results from a large birth rate, as well as from a considerable net addition of immigrants. The excess of arrivals over departures for the ten-year period is 25,592. Of these 5,749 were "pictures brides." Japanese laborers returning after a visit to Japan numbered 18,217.

It is noteworthy that of the total immigration since 1910, about 60,000, 28,000 came from Hawaii, and 27,000 returned to Japan. The transfer of such a large number from the island territory of the United States to the mainland brings an added burden to California, but it is not the fault of Japan. It is probable that most of the departures of Japanese were to Japan rather than back to Hawaii, so the net increase directly from Japan is relatively small. It is not fair to charge that Japan has been lax in observing the "gentleman's agreement" when half of the arrivals and probably very few of the departures have been Japanese residents in Hawaii.

The number of Japanese added by birth since 1910 was 20,130. Last year the Japanese births in California were one in thirteen while the Japanese population was one in thirty-three. This is due to the fact that the adult Japanese in America are practically all in early maturity, when the percentage of births for any race would be at its highest.

Figures given by the State Board of Control show 87,279 Japanese in California. The Japanese Association of California published in 1918 the results of a special census made by their organization showing nearly 70,000. With the increase by immigration and births since then there would probably be an admitted population of 80,000. The difference between this and the figures of the State Board is doubtless due to removals from California to Southern Idaho and Utah where there has been a very large increase of Japanese population since 1910.

The land question is quite as serious a problem as the increase in numbers. Chinese hold under lease or contract, 85,181 acres in California; Hindus, 86,340; Japanese, 383,287. The amount owned by Orientals is 88,944 acres, and 1,593 city lots, of which the Japanese have 74,769 acres and 1,036 city lots. The total acreage occupied in the state is 3,839,500, making that occupied by all Orientals, either owned, leased or farmed by contract 16⅓ per cent.

These figures certainly justify most serious and sympathetic consideration of the problem of protecting our own people against an impossible task of assimilation. But they do not warrant the charges of subterfuge and evasion which are being freely made against Japan and the Japanese in America. An effort to stir up prejudice tends to invalidate th conclusions drawn from the facts.

FOURTEEN POINTS ON KILLING A CHURCH

1. Don't come.
2. If you do come; come late.
3. When you do come, come with a grouch.
4. At every service ask yourself, "What do I ge out of this?"
5. Never accept office. It is better to stay outsid and criticize.
6. Visit other churches about half of the tim to show your pastor that you are not tied down t him. There is nothing like independence.
7. Let the pastor earn his money; let him do a the work.
8. Sit pretty well back and never sing. If yc have to sing, sing out of tune and behind everyboc else.
9. Never pay in advance, especially for religio Wait until you get your money's worth, and then wa a bit longer.
10. Never encourage the preacher; if you like sermon, keep mum about it. Many a preacher h been ruined by flattery. Don't let his blood be c your head.
11. It is good to tell your pastor's failings to a strangers that may happen in; they might be a lo time finding them out.
12. Of course you can't be expected to get ne members for the church with such a pastor as he
13. If your church unfortunately happens to harmonious, call it apathy or indifference or lack zeal, or anything under the sun except what it is.
14. If there happen to be a few zealous worke in the church, make a tremendous protest agai the church's being run by a clique.

Many of our churches used the Children's Day p gram, issued by the Sunday School Extension Socie with great acceptance. The little playlet entitl "The First Children's Day," supposed to take pla about two weeks before the crucifixion, was especia impressive.

The maximum aid from the Ministerial Rel Society has been raised to $400. The Congregatio Herald of Southern California says it ought to be least $500, and we second the motion.

HOW IT IMPRESSES AN AUSTRALIAN

"It seems so queer, don't you know," said one of visitors, "to see men, and sometimes even wom sitting upon a throne, to have their shoes blacke in public.

"And then your barber shops—men sitting alm out on the street with lather on their faces. Do know it looks as if the whole thing was done purpose.

"But no matter how strange these things may se to us, everybody has been so kind, they were re to answer any questions we wanted to ask, no ma how busy they were, and—and—well, nobody co be more courteous and thoughtful than the San Fr ciscans have been to us."